

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 8

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## SENT VIA EMAIL DIGITAL READ REPLY REQUESTED

Eric Kittinger Senior Regulatory Analyst Merit Energy Company, LLC eric.kittinger@meritenergy.com

Re: Authorization by Rule Expirations: Shoshone 65-20; Shoshone 65-25; Shoshone 65-38 and Shoshone 65-41

Dear Mr. Kittinger:

This letter is to notify you that your U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 8 Underground Injection Control (UIC) Authorization by Rule for the following referenced wells have expired in accordance with 40 CFR Section 144.21(b).

WELL NAME	API NUMBER	AUTHORIZATION	WELL LOCATION
		NUMBER	
Shoshone 65-20	49-013-06833	WY20000-02169	330 ft. FSL and 1060 ft. FEL, SE
			SE, Section 36, Township 7
			North, Range 3 West
			Fremont County, Wyoming
Shoshone 65-25	49-013-06830	WY20000-02170	253 ft. FSL and 312 ft FEL, SE
			SE, Section 36, Township 7
			North, Range 3 West,
			Fremont County, Wyoming
Shoshone 65-38	49-013-06845	WY2000-02177	990 ft. FSL and 1550 ft. FEL,
			SW SE, Section 36, Township 7
			North, Range 3 West,
			Fremont County, Wyoming
Shoshone 65-41	49-013-06839	WY20000-02179	330 ft FSL and 2310 ft FEL,
			SW SE, Section 36, Township 7
			North, Range 3 West,
			Fremont County, Wyoming

We have received documentation that the subject wells have been plugged and abandoned and no longer operate as UIC wells. Once expired, the complete permit process, including opportunity for public comment, shall be required before authorization to construct and operate the well for injection purposes may be reissued.

Please contact Benjamin D'Innocenzo regarding the release of financial assurance at (303) 312-6342 or dinnocenzo.benjamin@epa.gov.

If you have any questions or comments about the above action, please contact Linda Bowling at (303) 312-6254 or bowling.linda@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

8/5/2022



Signed by: Bahrman, Sarah

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